GREENBERG TRAURIG, LLP Jeffrey K. Joyner (SBN 180485) (joynerj@gtlaw.com) 2 Jeffrey F. Yee (SBN 193123) (yeej@gtlaw.com) 1840 Century Park East, Suite 1900 3 Los Angeles, California 90067 Telephone: (310) 586-7700 Facsimile: (310) 586-7800 5 Attorneys for Plaintiff ATTILIO GIUSTI LEOMBRUNI S.p.A. 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 WESTERN DIVISION 11 ATTILIO GIUSTI LEOMBRUNI S.p.A., | CASE No.: 2:15-cv-2128 12 an Italian Società per Azioni, 13 Plaintiff, **COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY** 14 JUDGMENT AND DAMAGES VS. 15 Lsil & Co., Inc., a New York corporation: (1) Declaratory Judgment of Non-Infringement and Lori Silverman, an individual. 16 (2) Tortious Interference of 17 **Contractual Relationship** Defendants. (3) Unfair Competition under 18 California Business and Professions Code § 17200, et seq. 19 (4) Common Law Unfair 20 **Competition** 21 **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL** 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT AND DAMAGES

Plaintiff Attilio Guisti Leombruni S.p.A. ("AGL"), by its undersigned counsel, hereby brings the following complaint for declaratory judgment and damages against Lsil & Co., Inc. ("Lsil") and Lori Silverman ("Silverman") (collectively "Defendants") and avers as follows:

NATURE OF THIS ACTION

1. This is an action for declaratory judgment of non-infringement of Defendants' trademarks, including U.S. Trademark Registration No. 4,362,523, and for damages sustained by AGL resulting from Defendants' tortious interference of AGL's contractual relationship with its clients.

THE PARTIES

- 2. AGL is an Italian Società per Azioni located at Via Bettino Craxi 1, 63812 Montegranaro (FM), Italy.
- 3. On information and belief, defendant Lsil is a New York corporation located at 2 Greene Lane, White Plains, New York 10605.
- 4. On information and belief, defendant Silverman is an individual residing in the state of New York. On information and belief, defendant Silverman is the founder and president of Lsil & Co., Inc.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 5. This action arises under the Lanham Act of 1946. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331and 1367(a) based on an actual controversy between AGL and Defendants for claims under the Lanham Act of 1946, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1051, *et seq.* AGL is seeking declaratory relief of non-infringement pursuant to the Declaratory Judgment Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202.
- 6. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the claims set forth in this Complaint pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1367(a), and 15 U.S.C. § 1121.
 - 7. Venue in this Court is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)-(c).
- 8. The Court has personal jurisdiction over Lsil because, on information and belief, Lsil's website at www.lsilandco.com regularly and systematically conducts

9. The Court has personal jurisdiction over Silverman because, on information and belief, Silverman, as the president of Lsil, regularly and systematically directs and manages Lsil's business activities in this judicial district through Lsil's representative ShopTheFloor (also known as MagicOnline) located at 2501 Colorado Avenue, Suite 280, Santa Monica, California 90404.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

- 10. AGL is a well-established footwear company with over 50 years of history in creating footwear. Softness and the attention for a comfortable fit are the priorities for every AGL footwear creation over the last 50 years.
- 11. On information and belief, Silverman founded Lsil in 2012, which engages in the business of footwear design. Lsil's footwear "make use of the most popular, timeless patterns that have been fashionable for decades such as paisley, glen plaid, zebra, polka dot, checkers and camouflage."

LSIL'S UNLAWFUL CONDUCT BY THREATENING AGL'S CLIENTS

12. On or about March 11, 2015, Defendants, through their counsel Maxim H. Waldbaum of Eaton & Van Winkle LLP, sent a demand letter to AGL ("AGL Demand Letter," Exhibit A) alleging that AGL's Double Sole Oxford (offered for sale through Nordstrom) and Lace Up Oxford Flats (offered for sale through Bloomingdale's/Macy's) (collectively "Accused Products") infringe Defendant's allegedly protected "CAMO" design sole. Defendants claimed that Silverman developed a complete line of protected shoe sole designs and "[n]o one but Ms. Silverman has any rights to these concepts, designs and structures."

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- 13. Defendants set out in the AGL Demand Letter a list of Defendants' U.S. trademarks, U.S. design patents, pending U.S. design patent applications, and European design patents. Upon information and belief, Defendants asserted that AGL allegedly infringed U.S. patent applications and European design patents in the United States knowing that neither the U.S. patent applications nor the European patents constitute enforceable patent rights in the United States.
- 14. Lsil's assertions in the AGL Demand Letter were vague and ambiguous and failed to identify any specific U.S. trademark registration or U.S. design patent that provides any bases for its assertion that AGL has allegedly infringed such trademark or patent.
- 15. Defendants demanded AGL and its clients, including Nordstrom and Bloomingdale's, immediately discontinue selling the Accused Products. Defendants further threatened to move for an injunction in the Federal Court against AGL and its clients.
- 16. In addition to the AGL Demand Letter, Defendants also sent a demand letter dated March 11, 2015 to Bloomingdale's ("Bloomingdale Demand Letter," Exhibit B) demanding Bloomingdale's discontinue selling AGL's Lace Up Oxford Flats. Defendants alleged that AGL's Lace Up Oxford Flats "use s the concept, designs, structure and exclusivity of Ms. Silverman" and "Ms. Silverman has vigorously marketed her product in the United States ... so that her designs are distinctive to her." Defendants reiterated in the Bloomindale Demand Letter that the rights Defendants were asserting against AGL and Bloomingdale's in the United States are "all filings" including the U.S. design patent applications and the European patents. Defendants asserted in the Bloomingdale Demand Letter that "all filings" include U.S. Trademark Registration No. 4,362,523. Defendants demanded in the Bloomingdale Demand Letter that "unless your continued selling of this shoe design in all your markets in catalogs and on the websites is stopped immediately, an action will be brought in Court in the next 10 days."

- 17. Defendant sent a similar demand letter dated March 11, 2015 to Nordstrom ("Nordstrom Demand Letter," Exhibit C) demanding Nordstrom discontinue selling AGL's Double Sole Oxford. Defendants specifically identified U.S. Trademark Registration No. 4,362,523 as being infringed.
- 18. After receiving the Nordstrom Demand Letter, Nordstrom informed AGL that Nordstrom, in response to the Nordstrom Demand Letter, decided to unpublish AGL's Double Sole Oxford from its website at Nordstrom.com.

THE USPTO FOUND THAT THE CAMOUFLAGE DESIGN DOES NOT FUNCTION AS A TRADEMARK TO INDICATE THE SOURCE OF DEFENDANTS' GOODS

- 19. On information and belief, U.S. Trademark Registration No. 4,362,523 was registered on July 2, 2013 on the Supplemental Register, which consists of a camouflage design on the outside of a high heeled shoe ("Camouflage Design").
- 20. On information and belief, Defendants initially filed the trademark application for the Camouflage Design seeking registration on the Principal Register. The United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO"), however, issued a final refusal to Defendants' application because the proposed Camouflage Design "is merely a decorative or ornamental feature of the goods" and "it does not function as a trademark to identify and distinguish applicant's goods from those of others and to indicate the source of applicant's goods."
- 21. After the USPTO's final refusal, Defendant amended to register the Camouflage Design on the Supplemental Register.

COUNT ONE

(Declaratory Judgment of Non-Infringement of The Camouflage Design)

22. AGL repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1-21 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

- 23. An actual and justiciable case or controversy exists between AGL and Defendants regarding the alleged infringement of the Camouflage Design by the Accused Products.
- 24. The Accused Products do not infringe the Camouflage Design because the Camouflage Design is merely decorative or ornamental and does not function as a trademark to identify and distinguish Defendants' goods from those of others (including the Accused Products) and to indicate the source of Defendants' goods.
- 25. The Accused Products do not infringe the Camouflage Design because Defendants falsely claim protectable trademark right to the Camouflage Design.
- 26. AGL is entitled to a judgment declaring that the Accused Products do not, and will not infringe the Camouflage Design; and because the Camouflage Design does not function as a trademark, U.S. Trademark Registration No. 4,362,523 should be cancelled pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1119.

COUNT TWO

(Tortious Interference of Contractual Relationship)

- 27. AGL repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1-26 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 28. Defendants knew the existence of a contractual/beneficial relationship between AGL and its clients, including Nordstrom and Bloomingdale's/Macy's.
- 29. Defendants intend to induce AGL's clients to breach their contractual/beneficial relationship with AGL by falsely claiming infringement by the Accused Products, inducing AGL's clients to discontinue selling AGL's products, as evidenced by the Nordstrom Demand Letter and Bloomingdale Demand Letter. Indeed, Nordstrom has discontinued selling the Accused Products in response to the Nordstrom Demand Letter.
- 30. As a result of Defendants' statements to AGL's clients, AGL suffered and is suffering damages including harm to its reputation, loss of sales and related expenses in an amount to be determined at trial.

- 31. Because Defendants' statements were willful, fraudulent, and malicious, AGL is entitled to punitive damages in an amount to be determined at trial.
- 32. Defendants' conduct has injured AGL and, unless enjoined, will continue to cause great, immediate, and irreparable injury to AGL.
- 33. AGL is therefore entitled to injunctive relief prohibiting Defendants from claiming the Camouflage Design as trademark and making statements that are fraudulent, malicious, misleading, or deceptive to any of AGL's clients.

COUNT THREE

(Unfair Competition Under California Business and Professions Code § 17200, et seq.)

- 34. AGL repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1-28 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 35. Defendants knew the Camouflage Design does not function as a trademark and has been finally rejected by the USPTO for registration on the Principle Register, yet Defendants have knowingly and intentionally claimed protectable trademark rights to the Camouflage Design to hamper competition.
- 36. The aforesaid acts by Defendants are unlawful and are likely to cause injury to AGL's reputation and result in Defendants unfairly competing with AGL in violation of California Business and Professions Code §§ 17200, et seq. (California's Unfair Competition Law, the "UCL")
- 37. Defendants' conduct has injured AGL and, unless enjoined, will continue to cause great, immediate, and irreparable injury to AGL.
- 38. AGL is therefore entitled to injunctive relief and an order for restitutionary disgorgement of all of Defendant's ill-gotten gains pursuant to California Business and Professions Code § 17203.

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COUNT FOUR

(Common Law Unfair Competition)

- AGL repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation contained in 39. paragraphs 1-38 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- The aforesaid acts by Defendants are unlawful and likely to cause injury to 40. AGL's reputation and constitute unfair competition under the common law of the State of California.
- 41. Defendants' acts have caused damage to AGL's goodwill and reputation and has caused pecuniary damage to AGL in an amount to be proven at trial
- The aforesaid acts were done in an intentional, malicious, and oppressive 42. manner. Accordingly, AGL is entitled to punitive damages in an amount to be determined at trial.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, AGL prays for judgment as follows:

- That judgment be entered in favor of AGL. A.
- Declaring that the Accused Products do not infringe and will not infringe B. Defendants' Camouflage Design (U.S. Trademark Registration No. 4,362,523).
- Declaring that the Camouflage Design cannot function as trademark and its C. U.S. Trademark Registration No. 4,362,523 be cancelled pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1119.
- Immediately and permanently enjoining Defendants, their officers, directors, D. agents, servants, employees, representatives, attorneys, related companies, successors, assigns, and all others in active concert or participation with them from claiming the Camouflage Design as trademark and making statements that are fraudulent, malicious, misleading, or deceptive to any of AGL's clients.
- Immediately and permanently enjoining Defendants, their officers, directors, E. agents, servants, employees, representatives, attorneys, related companies, successors, assigns, and all others in active concert or participation with them from contacting AGL's clients, and ordering Defendants to retract all prior demands that AGL's clients.

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- F. Awarding AGL damages adequate to compensate for lost profits and reputation damage caused by Defendants' tortious interference with contractual/beneficial relationship and unfair competition.
 - G. Awarding AGL costs and attorneys' fees;
- H. Awarding AGL pre-judgment and post-judgment interest on any monetary awards;
 - I. Awarding AGL punitive damages; and
- J. Granting AGL any other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

DATED: March 23, 2015

GREENBERG TRAURIG, LLP

Jeffrey K. Joyner Jeffrey F. Yee

By: <u>/s/ Jeffrey F. Yee</u>

Jeffrey F. Yee

Attorneys for Plaintiff

ATTILIO GIUSTI LEOMBRUNI S.p.A.

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL Pursuant to Rule 38(b), Fed. R. Civ. P., Plaintiff ATTILIO GIUSTI LEOMBRUNI S.p.A. demands a trial by jury of any issue triable by a jury. DATED: March 23, 2015 **GREENBERG TRAURIG, LLP** Jeffrey K. Joyner Jeffrey F. Yee By: /s/ Jeffrey F. Yee Jeffrey F. Yee Attorneys for Plaintiff ATTILIO GIUSTI LEOMBRUNI S.p.A. COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT AND DAMAGES

EXHIBIT A

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March 11, 2015

VIA E-MAIL AND MAIL

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New York, NY
Shoe Representative – McKay.AGL@gmail.com
213-327-4529

President AGL c/o New York Headquarters

Re:

AGL Double Sole Oxford (Women) Nordstrom Item # 854175 (CAMO); Bloomingdale's Item ID 1212533, Category ID 19852 "Bloomingdale's Exclusive"

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am writing you as trial counsel for designer Lori Silverman and her company Lsil & Co., Inc. To our knowledge you have decided, for the first time, to sell shoes in the United States with our CAMO design soles (Exhibit 1), which you know, or should have been fully aware from the Nordstrom selling agent, is a design exclusively developed by Ms. Silverman. You are selling to Nordstrom, Bloomingdale's and online entrepreneurs indiscriminately. Your selling agent for Nordstrom was shown the complete line of design soles with polyurethane coverings in the last year (at least by last June 2014) by Ms. Silverman as well as the full array of such protected sole designs as set forth in the extensive design patent and trademark applications protecting her rights (Exhibit 2). No one but Ms. Silverman has any rights to these concepts, designs and structures. This is known to many of the most famous Italian designers today.

Ms. Silverman has been working with Italian designers for the past years and has had her designs presented to all the major department store selling agents in the United States and the shoe representatives in Italy, including your representative last year. She has worked on these as her most important products for the last 3 ½ years and we view your activity as design theft. We are also forwarding this letter with separate correspondence to Nordstrom and Bloomingdale's demanding that they remove this camo soled shoe from their selling catalogs and websites immediately.

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If you do not take action in the next 10 days, we will move for an injunction in the Federal Court against your company, Nordstrom, Bloomingdale's and other online sellers. Your immediate attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated. Please feel free to call me when you are prepared.

Sincerely yours,

Maxim H. Waldbaum, Esq.

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- · Patent leather upper, leather lining, rubber sole
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Exhibit 2

US Trademarks	Trademarks
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Leopard	LSIL & CO.
Zebra	LOGO (OLD)- lapsed
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Exhibit 2

Design Patent in US	Client-Matter No.
3-D Lace (Approved)	40914-00010
2-D Rose (Approved)	40914-00011
2-D Leopard (Approved)	40914-00012
3-D All Pearls (Approved)	40914-00013
3-D All Sequins (Approved)	40914-00014
3-D All Square Crystals (Approved)	40914-00015
3-D All Crystals (Approved)	40914-00016
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3-D Camoflage	40914-00069
3-D Rose	40914-00070
3-D Stripe Crystals	40914-00071
3-D Diamond Crystals	40914-00072
3-D Polka Dot Crystals	40914-00073
3-D Zebra Crystals	40914-00074
3-D Leopard Crystals	40914-00075
2-D Zebra	40914-00076
2-D Polka Dots	40914-00077
2-D Stripes	40914-00078
2-D Argyle	40914-00079
2-D Glen Plaid	40914-00080
2-D Paisley	40914-00081
2-D Camo	40914-00082
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3-D Triangle Crystals	40914-00084
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3-D Checkers	40914-00086
3-D Argyle	40914-00087
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Exhibit 2

Design Patents in EUROPEAN COMMUNITY	
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3-D All Sequins	001356307-0001
3-D All Square Crystals	001356307-0002
3-D Triangle Crystals	001356307-0003
3-D All Crystals	001356307-0004
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3-D Diamond Crystals	001356307-0006
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3-D Leopard Crystals	001356307-0009
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2-D Argyle	001356307-0017
2-D Glen Plaid	001356307-0018
2-D Paisley	001356307-0019
2-D Camo	001356307-0020
2-D Checkers	001356307-0021
2-D Lace	001356307-0022
3-D All Pearls	001356307-0023
3-D Lace	001356307-0024

These registrations are in force for a period of 5 years from December 22, 2012 to December 22, 2017 (can be renewed for four additional 5 year periods. (FIRST RENEWAL DUE DECEMBER 22, 2017)

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March 11, 2015

BY E-MAIL AND MAIL

Bloomingdale's Tony Spring President Corporate 1000 Third Avenue Headquarters New York, N.Y. 10022

Re: Bloomingdale's Attilio Giusti Leombruni (AGL) Lace Up Oxford with CAMO Sole

Dear Sir:

We are trial counsel for designer Lori Silverman and her company Lsil & Co., Inc. Our client has noted that AGL as a vendor, sold you a shoe which violates her designs/IP rights. A CAMO sole AGL lace up oxford shown in **Exhibit 1** hereto uses the concept, designs, structure and exclusivity of Ms. Silverman. Ms. Silverman has spent the last 3 1/2 years designing and protecting her rights (see all filings of design and trademark rights appended hereto as **Exhibit 2**, including Registered Trademark No. 4,362,523 on the Supplemental Register) (**Exhibit 3**). To support those rights, Ms. Silverman has vigorously marketed her product in the United States and with Italian shoe designers over this extended period of time so that her designs are distinctive to her. This letter, along with the letter to AGL, a copy of which is attached, is to give you notice that unless your continued selling of this shoe design in all your markets in catalogs and on the websites is stopped immediately, an action will be brought in Court in the next 10 days. Please feel free to contact me if you have any comments or questions.

Sincerely yours,

Maxim H. Waldbaum, Esq.

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cc: General Counsel

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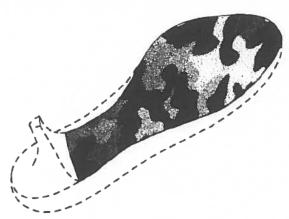
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March 11, 2015

VIA E-MAIL AND MAIL

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New York, NY
Shoe Representative – McKay.AGL@gmail.com
213-327-4529

President AGL c/o New York Headquarters

Re:

AGL Double Sole Oxford (Women) Nordstrom Item # 854175 (CAMO); Bloomingdale's Item ID 1212533, Category ID 19852 "Bloomingdale's Exclusive"

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am writing you as trial counsel for designer Lori Silverman and her company Lsil & Co., Inc. To our knowledge you have decided, for the first time, to sell shoes in the United States with our CAMO design soles (Exhibit 1), which you know, or should have been fully aware from the Nordstrom selling agent, is a design exclusively developed by Ms. Silverman. You are selling to Nordstrom, Bloomingdale's and online entrepreneurs indiscriminately. Your selling agent for Nordstrom was shown the complete line of design soles with polyurethane coverings in the last year (at least by last June 2014) by Ms. Silverman as well as the full array of such protected sole designs as set forth in the extensive design patent and trademark applications protecting her rights (Exhibit 2). No one but Ms. Silverman has any rights to these concepts, designs and structures. This is known to many of the most famous Italian designers today.

Ms. Silverman has been working with Italian designers for the past years and has had her designs presented to all the major department store selling agents in the United States and the shoe representatives in Italy, including your representative last year. She has worked on these as her most important products for the last 3 ½ years and we view your activity as design theft. We are also forwarding this letter with separate correspondence to Nordstrom and Bloomingdale's demanding that they remove this camo soled shoe from their selling catalogs and websites immediately.

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If you do not take action in the next 10 days, we will move for an injunction in the Federal Court against your company, Nordstrom, Bloomingdale's and other online sellers. Your immediate attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated. Please feel free to call me when you are prepared.

Sincerely yours,

Maxim H. Waldbaum, Esq.

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BY FAX AND MAIL

Nordstrom
Erik B. Nordstrom
COO
1617 Sixth Avenue
Seattle, WA 98101

Re: Nordstrom AGL Double Soled Oxford Item 854175

Dear Sir:

We are trial counsel for Lori Silverman and Lsil & Co., Inc., owner of the original and exclusive designs for polyurethane camo soles for shoes and many other integrated sole and shoe designs. We are including for your information a letter sent to your shoe supplier Attilio Giusti Leombruni (AGL) who has presented to you their double sole oxford with such CAMO design (Exhibit 1 hereto). We are also including the exclusive work of Lori Silverman of many multiple polyurethane sole designs, including the CAMO sole (see Exhibit 2). As your selling agent has known for a long time, these designs were shown to him and were shown as exclusive to Ms. Silverman. She and her company have spent the last 3 1/2 years designing these products which remain unique to them. See the list of rights claimed to be protected IP by Ms. Silverman. Your vendor and its selling agent, AGL, were willfully and fully aware of this fact when they sold you their item 854175.

Ms. Silverman has protected these designs with applications of design rights, a U.S. registered trademark for the CAMO sole on the Supplemental Register with exclusive and distinctive development of her rights over the last 3 1/2 years. They are detailed in **Exhibit 3** hereto.

Ms. Silverman's work and design/IP rights have been stolen by AGL and now given to you. We have demanded AGL, and now you, to remove such CAMO soled shoes from your marketing catalogs and websites. This still leaves you with over 40 AGL designs without CAMO sole designs. Interestingly, on your website every one of your AGL designs (over 40) show the

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bottom of the shoe EXCEPT this CAMO design. We do not think this was a mistake but an intentional act to hide the bottom of the shoe from consumers and third parties.

In any event, you have one week to comply with our demand to remove the selling of such shoe from your various opportunities. Otherwise you will be joined with AGL in a federal lawsuit to be filed in 10 days.

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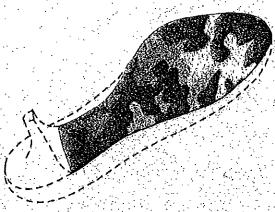
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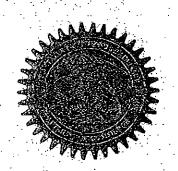


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## WARNING FROM THE USPTO CONCERNING UNOFFICIAL TRADEMARK SOLICITATIONS

Please be aware that private companies not associated with the United States Patent and Trademark (Office (USPTO)) often use trademark application and registration information from the USPTO's databases to mail or e-mail trademark-related solicitations. These may include offers (1) for legal services; (2) for trademark monitoring services; (3) to record trademarks with U.S. Customs and Border Protection; and (4) to "register" trademarks in a private registry.

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Some applicants and registrants have reported paying fees to these private companies; mistakenly thinking that they were paying required tees, to the USPTO. So, he sure to read trademark-related communications carefully before making a decision about whether to respond. All inflictal correspondence will be from the FUnited States Patent and Trademark Office in Alexandria, VA, and it by e-mails specifically from the domain '@uspto.gov."

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For further information about, as well as several examples of these non-USPTO solicitations please visit the page on the www.USPTO gov.website entitled." <u>WARNING: Non-USPTO Solicitations That May Resemble Official USPTO Communications?</u>

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Re:

AGL Double Sole Oxford (Women) Nordstrom Item # 854175 (CAMO); Bloomingdale's Item ID 1212533, Category ID 19852 "Bloomingdale's Exclusive"

#### Dear Sir/Madam:

I am writing you as trial counsel for designer Lori Silverman and her company Lsil & Co., Inc. To our knowledge you have decided, for the first time, to sell shoes in the United States with our CAMO design soles (Exhibit 1), which you know, or should have been fully aware from the Nordstrom selling agent, is a design exclusively developed by Ms. Silverman. You are selling to Nordstrom, Bloomingdale's and online entrepreneurs indiscriminately. Your selling agent for Nordstrom was shown the complete line of design soles with polyurethane coverings in the last year (at least by last June 2014) by Ms. Silverman as well as the full array of such protected sole designs as set forth in the extensive design patent and trademark applications protecting her rights (Exhibit 2). No one but Ms. Silverman has any rights to these concepts, designs and structures. This is known to many of the most famous Italian designers today.

Ms. Silverman has been working with Italian designers for the past years and has had her designs presented to all the major department store selling agents in the United States and the shoe representatives in Italy, including your representative last year. She has worked on these as her most important products for the last 3 ½ years and we view your activity as design theft. We are also forwarding this letter with separate correspondence to Nordstrom and Bloomingdale's demanding that they remove this camo soled shoe from their selling catalogs and websites immediately.

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If you do not take action in the next 10 days, we will move for an injunction in the Federal Court against your company, Nordstrom, Bloomingdale's and other online sellers. Your immediate attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated. Please feel free to call me when you are prepared.

Sincerely yours,

Maxim H. Waldbaum, Esq.

MHW: rt Encls.

cc: Nordstrom

Bloomingdale's